

Mighty Mustang Band

Winter Newsletter 2003-04

Winter 2004

J.J. Pearce High School

PABC President's Letter

Dates to Remember

Chamber Music Festival
February 21

Meyerson Concert
March 2

Band Formal
March 27

UIL Concert Contest
April 7-8

Corpus Christi Band Trip
April 22-25

Band Banquet
May 7

Spring Concert
May 12

We thank everyone for making the first semester for all of the Pearce Area bands such a great success. Our High School Directors worked tirelessly, as did the kids, throughout the marching season, and their hard work paid off with fantastic scores at all competitions! The Junior High bands have done extraordinarily well this fall under some new directors who have brought terrific talent to our programs, as we've seen at the great concerts. Also, through the various fundraisers and our fabulous auction, we've raised a great deal of money that goes right back to the band programs we're all so proud of!

We are excited to be moving into the new band hall facilities at Pearce, and we look forward to the upcoming concert season, including the annual Meyerson Concert in March, the various competitions and trips this spring, and the special Jazz Band concert at the Eisemann Center in May. We hope that all of you will join us at these various events!

The band programs at Pearce and all its feeder schools are terrific programs, directed by some of the greatest talent in this region! We should all be proud of the great things going on in the band halls!

(See inside for complete schedules)

PABC is a booster club and we always count on the parents' support. In the coming weeks, the Nominating Committee will be starting their job of recruiting current members for the PABC Board for next fall. We encourage each of you to consider the wonderful rewards that come from being involved in this organization. As we look back on our time as Presidents, and other volunteer jobs we've had in PABC, we can certainly say that it's been an exciting way for us to be involved in our oldest sons' lives during their high school years. We would like to see many new people getting involved. We know that some of you have started to take more active roles within our organization in the past year. We also know that many new families will join the high school program in the fall. Please don't think you need to wait until then to get involved. Being on the PABC Board gives you an exciting opportunity to be involved all year-long with some of the greatest volunteers we've ever worked with! So, if you are interested, please let us know or call Gayle Nabors, the Chair of the Nominating Committee.

We look forward to a great spring, and we'll continue to work hard as your Presidents to see that PABC and our school bands continue to strive for the excellence we've been known for over the years. If you ever want to share your feedback with us, please feel free to contact us at home, 972-250-3930 or via e-mail at Dbasmom@aol.com. We're here to serve all of you, and we look forward to sharing the rest of this school year with you!

Sincerely, Karen and Alan Hoffman

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FROM OUR DIRECTORS

Seventy five Pearce Area band students auditioned for the High School All-Region Band on December 6th and 9th. We're very proud of all of the students who made the commitment back in August to audition and followed through on their commitment over four months later. Congratulations to all of those students!

Pearce High School had more students make All-Region than any other 4A school. Go Mustangs! Here are the results:

The following students were named alternates to the 4A All-Region Band:

Sara Adams, James Aton, Laura Carter, Morgan Clarke, James Kimmel, Catherine Lee, Calvin Marston, Brittany Nabors, Garrett Nauschutz, Jonathan Richardson, Jakin Veia and Gail Williams(North).

These students are members of the 4A All-Region Band:

Stefani Butler, Elizabeth Coy, Barbara Dasheiff, Zachary Fleming, Kyle Henson, Kimberly Henson(North), Trey Hollis, Elizabeth House, Corey Hutchins, Drew Jacoy, Marilyn Jaimes, Stephanie Koolman, Steven Levy, Steven Loh, Corey Lowe, Yang Lu (Parkhill), Anna Michell, Adria Molotsky, Alexander Sabzkooh (North), Jay Schweikert, Natasha Stevenson, Patti Suen, William Thoreson, Kimberly Tran and Ming Zhi.

These students were named to the Concert Band:

Lindsay Fyffe (North), Barton Gunter, Matthew Johnson, Kristin Little, Susie Loewenstein and Evan Murphy.

These students made the Symphonic Band:

Patrick Landis, Rebecca Loewenstein and Bonnie Beathard.

The following students are members of the Wind Ensemble:

Albert Alexander, Angela Stevenson, Ben Stein, Everett Burns (North) and Erica Silverman.

These elite students made the All-Area Band and will audition in January for a spot in the Texas All-State Band:

Albert Alexander, Bonnie Beathard, Everett Burns, Barton Gunter, Patrick Landis, Rebecca Loewenstein, Evan Murphy, Erica Silverman, Ben Stein, Angela Stevenson and Natasha Stevenson.

Pearce Calendar of Events for Spring

January

10	All Day	Tyler	All-Area Auditions, winners make All-State
15	5-9 pm	Rowlett	All-Region Jazz Band Clinic
17	All Day	Rowlett	All-Region Jazz Band Clinic/Concertn Clinic/Concert 23,
24	All Day	Sachse/Wylie	All-Region Clinic/Concert

February

1-14	-----	San Antonio	Texas Music Educators Asociation Convention/Clinic
13	-----	-----	Six Weeks ends
17-18	4:30-10pm	Pearce Auditorium	Jazz Band recording session
19-20	7:30 pm	Pearce Auditorium	Forte Show – get out and support the choir department
20	4:15-7pm	PHS	All Band Students, set up Rich. Chamber Music Festival
21	7am-6pm	PHS	We host Richardson Chamber Music Festival
27-28	7:30pm	Pearce Auditorium	Concord Show – get out and support the choir department

March

2	7:00 pm	Meyerson	PHS Bands' Annual Meyerson Concert
3	7:30 pm	Pearce Auditorium	PHS Percussion Show
8-12	-----	-----	Spring Break
16	7:00 pm	PHS	Open House
27	TBA	Pearce Corral	Band Formal

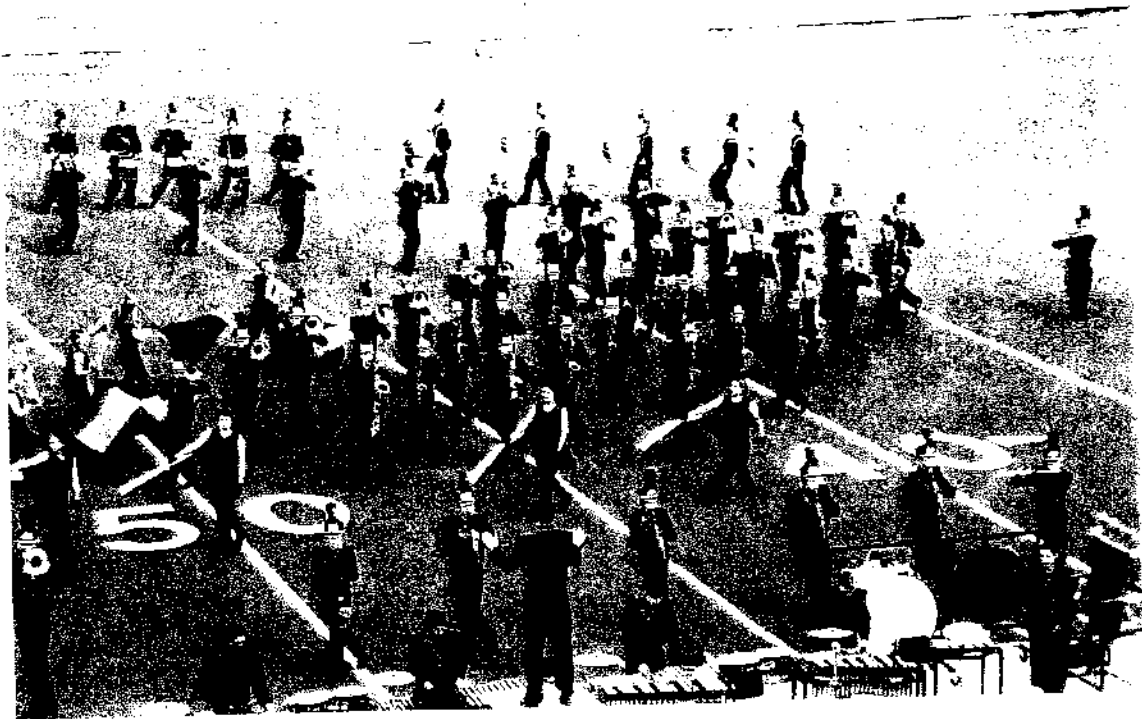
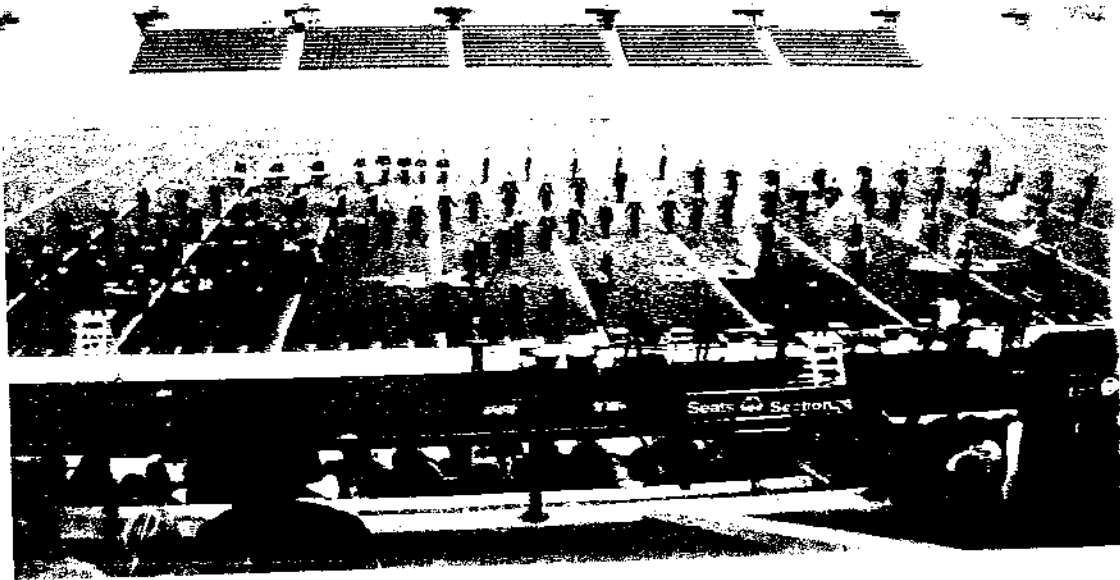
April

2-3	7:30 pm	Pearce Auditorium	Pacesetter Review
7-8	All Day	Sachse HS	4A UIL concert and sight-reading contest
8	-----	-----	Six Weeks ends
22-25	All Day		Corpus Christi Band Trip

May

7	-----	-----	Band Banquet
8	All Day	Austin	UIL State Wind Ensemble Contest
12	7:30 pm	Pearce Auditorium	Pearce Bands Spring Concert
13	6:30 pm	Pearce Auditorium	Pearce Full Orchestra Concert
14	TBA	Pearce Auditorium	Pearce Jazz Band Concert
TBA	TBA	Moody	Graduation, Wind Ensemble and Symphonic Band 10 th and 11 th graders

Congratulations on a Great Marching Season!
"Shadowcatcher"

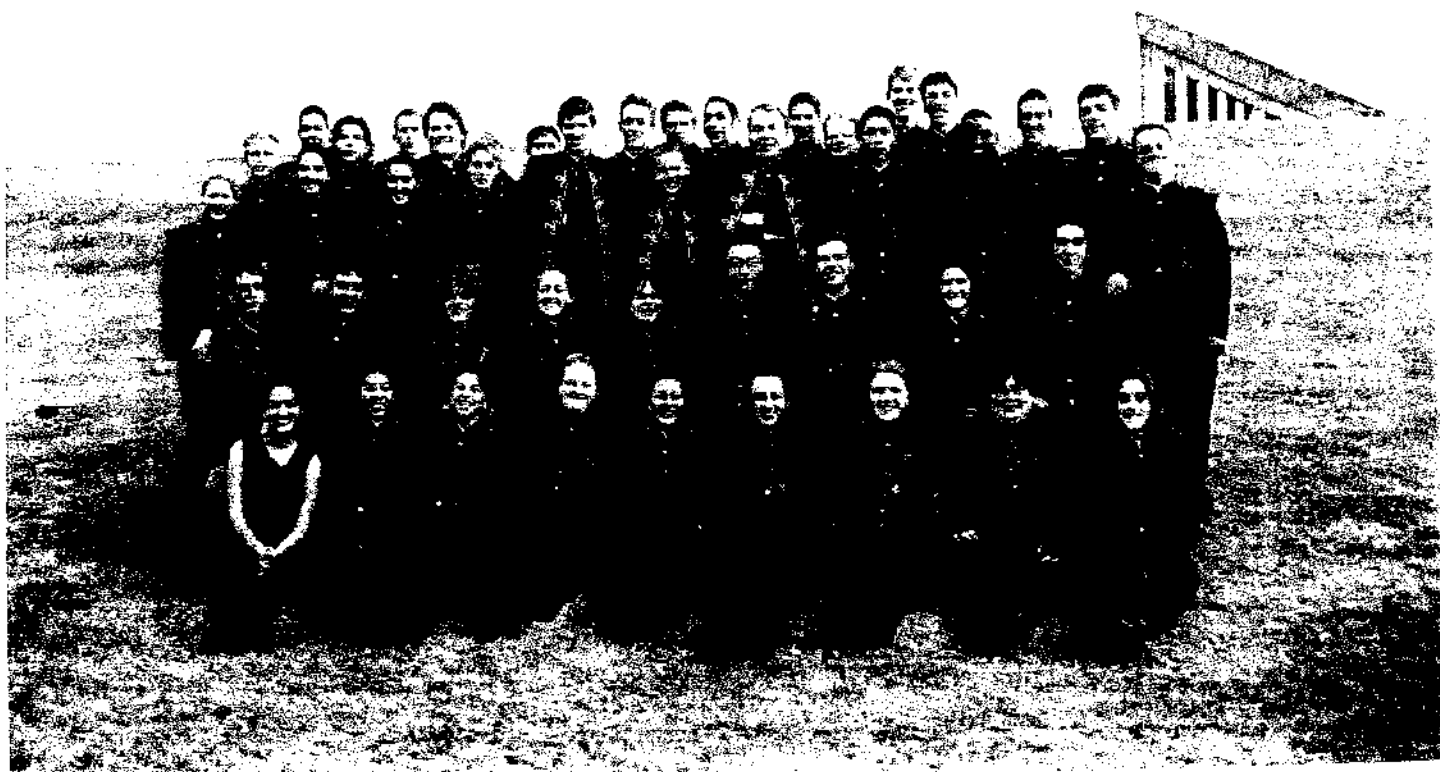




2003 Band Sweetheart Audrey Rumbo

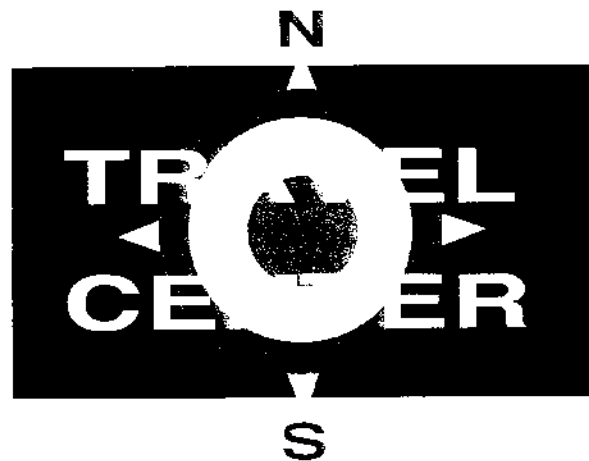
Congratulations to senior Audrey Rumbo, voted band sweetheart for the 2003 marching season! "She is one of the sweetest people I know..." "she is kind to everyone..." "she works so hard..." are a few of the things her friends say about her. Audrey plays clarinet in the band and hopes to attend Midwestern in the fall, possibly to study business. She currently has a successful purse business, selling her exquisite purses in New York City! The band sure knows how to pick their sweethearts!

Senior Class, 2004



Spring 2004 Band Trip

With the end of a successful fall marching season it is time to look forward to the spring concert season. One of the most anticipated events every year is the spring band trip. This year all three bands will be traveling together to Corpus Christi where the bands will compete in the South Coast Music Festival.



The bands will depart from Pearce early morning on Thursday, April 22, 2004 and return the evening of Sunday, April 25, 2004. The bands will travel on charter buses and stay in The Dunes Condos in Port Aransas. More information on The Dunes can be found at www.thedunescondos.com.

All assessment payments, including trip fees, are due on February 15, 2004. Students are responsible for all meals on the trip. Some meals will be eaten at restaurants while traveling. Other meals will be prepared by the students in their condo rooms.



There will be a trip information meeting for all parents on Tuesday, March 30, 2004 at 7:30 PM in the NEW band hall. Trip plans, "water activity" permission slips, updating emergency information, dress, meal planning, trip behavior, and answering parent questions will be included in the meeting.

Additional trip information can be found on the band website at www.pearceband.org. The trip page will be updated as trip details are finalized. If you have specific travel questions please send email to pabc.travel@comcast.net.

Notice of meetings and last minute trip information will be posted on the band website and broadcast through PABC email. If you are not currently receiving PABC emails or need to update your email address please contact Susie Whitehurst at omerchick@aol.com.



Assessments

Your final assessments statement will be mailed to you in mid-January. The final trip payment is \$225. This statement will also include any service recognition you earned from the auction, plus any service recognition you earned from magazine sales. Any service recognition will be applied against this trip payment and will reduce what you owe.

All assessments payments are due no later than February 15, 2004. **Students whose accounts are not paid in full by that time may not be eligible to go with the bands on their trip to Corpus Christi.**

If you have any questions about your account or your statements, contact Monti Stacey at stacey4@flash.net or 972-392-0460.

All assessment payments should be mailed to:

Kym Janney
6438 Riverview
Dallas, TX 75248

Please DO NOT put payments in any boxes in the band hall or give them to a director

15th Annual Meyerson Concert



March 2, 7:00 pm

The Meyerson Concert date is right around the corner. For ticket information contact Jane Ramberg, 972-380-5191 or look for information which has been mailed regarding priority seating. Information on placing ads in the program to support the band and your student is also enclosed. Please send these back as soon as possible. Don't miss this annual event!

Spotlight on PABC Officers

Bart Gunter, Band President

Bart is a senior who has been playing trombone for seven years. He is a trombone section leader and a member of the MOB and loading crew. His other interests include computers, aviation and model rockets. Currently working at Eckerd's photo lab, he aspires to serve in the United States armed forces.



Megan McIlroy, Band Vice President

Megan is a senior and is head section leader of the trumpet section in the Wind Ensemble for the second year. She plays in the Jazz Band and is also part of the loading crew during marching season. She is on Chandelle Committee, sings in Concord, is assistant director of Acapella choir at school, and actively participates in youth choir and the Girls' Ministry Council at her church. Megan is treasurer of the Richardson Symphony Debutantes and plans to attend either Georgia Tech or Texas A&M in the fall to major in chemical engineering.



Ashlee House, Band Secretary

Ashlee is a senior trombone player in the Wind Ensemble and a band lieutenant. She is involved in Mu Alpha Theta, SADD and Acapella choir. She plans to attend the University of Oklahoma in the fall where she is hoping to be a part of the Sooner Band. She hopes to major in nursing and minor in religion. She loves creating music whether in choir or band and loves to hang out with friends in her spare time.



Spotlight on PABC Officers (continued)

Kyle Henson, Band Treasurer

Kyle has been in the RISD since third grade and has played percussion since sixth grade. He is a senior and has been in the Pearce drumline for three years. This year he is the drumline captain. After high school he plans on studying music education with an emphasis on percussion. He has applied to SMU, TCU and OU and hopes to attend SMU.



Morgan Clarke, Senior Representative

Morgan is a senior and is enjoying his third and final year in the Mighty Mustang Band. He is the Drumline Senior Lieutenant and has been in symphonic I since he was a sophomore. He is also in Jazz Band I. Morgan also enjoys playing soccer, listening to all types of music and playing with his band, Blue Collar around the Metroplex. He is the Treasurer for the Teen Advisory Council, a local service community project, and is a Peer Helper at school and co-captain of the JJ Pearce Ultimate Frisbee team. In his off time, Morgan enjoys playing video games, hanging out with friends, extreme water and snow sports, reading and making people laugh. He would like to give a big thanks to Mr. Davis and Mr. Gurke.



Drew Jacoy, Junior Representative

Drew plays saxophone in the Wind Ensemble and is Junior Representative for the band. He is also a part of the jazz band and is on the school newspaper staff. He is looking forward to another great year in band!



Parkhill Raider Band

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Dear Parents and Students,

We are looking forward to a busy and FUN Spring Semester with lots of Field Trips and Contest Events. Please make sure that you have the Raider Band calendar on your home calendar...as this part of the year tends to get filled up quickly. We have our final fundraising event this semester and we NEED YOUR HELP to make sure that we stay on track with our budget. You may always give donations to the band instead of participating in the fundraiser itself...BUT PLEASE HELP OUR BAND!!! If you have questions this semester...call Mike Davis at 469-593-5506 or Angela Sledge at 469-593-5565. You may email us at mike.davis@riscd.org or angela.sledge@riscd.org. Remember that you can access all of our important information on our web page which is listed under www.riscd.org, then go to the PJH Page, then go to BAND!!! Woo hoo!!!

2003-2004 Spring Calendar

Performance*/Social/Competitive* Calendar

Jan.	12	Express Candy Sale Begins	All Day	PJH
	15	All-District Sectionals* (Sym I)	6-9 pm	TBA
	16-17	All-District Clinic/Concert* (Sym I)	TBA	LHJH
Feb.	21	Chamber Music Festival*(All Bands)	All Day	PHS
	23	MidWinter Concert* (Int)	7 pm	PJH
	27	Talent Show* (Jazz Ensemble)	Morning	PJH
March	03	Pearce Percussion Concert*	7:30 pm	PHS
	04	Pre-UIL Concert* (Sym I II)	6-8 pm	PHS
	27	TCU Jazz Festival* (Jazz Ensemble)	All Day	TCU
April	02	<i>Raider Band Lock-In</i>	11-7 am	TBA
	15	UIL C&SR Contest* (Sym I/II)	All Day	Eisemann
	16	Sandy Lake Festival* (Int)	All Day	SLP
May	07	UNT Windspear Festival* (Sym I/II)	All Day	Denton
	11	Spring Concert* (Int)	7 pm	PJH
	15	<i>Six Flags Spring Trip (All Bands)</i>	All Day	SF Texas
	18	Spring Concert* (Sym I/II)	7 pm	PHS
	20	Spring Concert* (Beginner Band)	7 pm	PJH

All concerts and contests* are curriculum related and mandatory events for ALL students. Please make sure that you have these dates on your calendars. If a date changes, we will make every attempt to inform you of the change as early as possible. Social events are never mandatory, but if you don't come ... you are a party pooper!

Parkhill Raider Band Winter Newsletter

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Congratulations to the following Parkhill students who made all district band:

Sierra Hayden, Mizuki Okada, Kendra Woodll, Katherine Kirchner, Joseph Lee, Becky Piroga, Zach Stone, Philip Weaver, Merick Yamada, Jeff Elsner, Yang Lu, Grant Hollowell, Jonathan Sloan, Adam Hargrove, Son Pham, Christan Halvorsen, Sam Stein, Pete Stacey, Will Rowan, William Krause, Daniel Silverman, Matt Whitehurst, Lauryn Yarn, Reed LaHaye, Jennifer Knudsen, Stafford Hutchins and Josh Richardson.

A Special Congratulations to Yang Lu who also made 4A High School Alto Saxophone 2nd chair for Region 3!



PLAY IT BACK



Do You Have an Old Instrument Stuck in the Back of a Closet?

Bring music and the joy of belonging to band to a sixth grader in the Pearce area. Donate your old instrument to the "PLAY IT BACK" program and Brook Mays will refurbish it for free and we will make it available to a student who otherwise might not be able to join the band in sixth grade.

All donations are tax deductible!

Contact Jay Schweikert at 972-380-0558 for more information or to make a donation or drop instruments at the Pearce band hall and complete a tax deduction form.



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NJH Band Winter Newsletter

Thank you for a wonderful first semester! We had many successes at All-District and All-Region auditions. Congratulations to the following students for earning spots in a band:

DISTRICT BAND:

Lindsay Fyffe, Kimberly Henson, Kelly Kraft, Spencer Norwick, Michael Spanos., Hailey Malcolm, Elizabeth Avalos, Madiata Messo, Zineb Al-Rashed, Lauren Burdert, Kelsey McAlister, aylor Sasser, Brianna McQuien, Gail Ann Williams, Jenny Saurer, Billy Dolan, John Redlinger, Chris Franz, Alex Sabzkooh, Clint Kimmel, Austin Gunter, Katy Elkins, Everett Burns, Megan Bommarito, Jennifer Box, Brent Green, Lillibet Wilkinson, Andy Koolman, Michael Grabczek, Chris Stewart, Peter Farago.

9th GRADE REGION:

Lindsay Fyffe, Kimberly Henson, Spencer Norwick, Hailey Malcolm, Gail Ann Williams, Jenny Sauer, Billy Dolan, Alex Sabzkooh, Everett Burns.

HIGH SCHOOL ALL-REGION:

4A Band – Alex Sabzkooh, Kimberly Henson

5A Concert Band – Lindsay Fyffe

5A Wind Ensemble and Symphony Orchestra – Everett Burns who will also be advancing to 4A Area in January!

The spring has many exciting things in store for us. Please mark your calendars now (see following page) so that you won't miss out on any of the fun!

Kristin Barker

North Band Spring 2004 Events Calendar

JANUARY

- 8 Spring Parent Meeting, 7 pm at North (come see our carpet!)
- 10 Area auditions at Tyler J. Colleg – Good Luck to Everett Burns!
- 13 Sectionals for All District Band students @ Liberty JH. 6 – 8 pm
- 15 Begin Spring Fundraiser (through 1/29)
- 16 All District Band rehearsal at Lake Highlands JH. (6 – 8:30 pm)
- 17 All District Band rehearsals and concert at LHJH all day, concert 7:30 pm
- 23/24 9th grade/high school All Region Band clinic/concert, North Mesquite HS. times TBA
- 26/27 Tux fittings on stage 3:30 – 5:00 pm
- 30/31 All Region orchestra clinic/concert

FEBRUARY

- 11-14 Texas Music Educators Association Clinic/Convention
- 19 Richardson Chamber Music Festival Recital, evening
- 21 Richardson Chamber Music Festival at Pearce HS

MARCH

- 3 Pearce Area Percussion Show, 7:30 pm
- 4 Pre UIL at Pearce HS, details TBA
- 22 Multicultural Assembly (Open House), small ensembles perform

APRIL

- 15 UIL!!!
- TBA Sandy Lake for intermediate Bands

MAY

- 6 Concert Band to Windspear, times TBA
- 12 Symphonic Band to Bass Hall, perform at 12:30pm
- 17 Beginner Concert, 7:30pm at Pearce HS
- 19 North Bands Spring Concert, 7:30 pm at PearceHS

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Mighty Mustang Band Information
Keep this newsletter!!!!!!!!!!!!
(It's filled with stuff you need to
know)

Save the date!!!
JJ Pearce Band presents its
15th Annual
Meyerson Concert
Tuesday, March 2
7:00 pm